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SUBJECT: PRESIDENTIAL LETTER OF RECOGNITION OF THE  
REPUBLIC OF CAPE VERDE

1. FOLLOWING IS THE TEXT OF LETTER FROM PRESIDENT FORD  
TO ARISTIDES PEREIRA, PRESIDENT OF REPUBLIC OF CAPE VERDE,  
EXTENDING RECOGNITION TO THE REPUBLIC OF CAPE VERDE.  
BEGIN TEXT: QUOTE. THE WHITE HOUSE, WASHINGTON,  
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JULY 5, 1975. DEAR MR. PRESIDENT:

THE AMERICAN PEOPLE JOIN ME IN EXTENDING CONGRATULATIONS AND BEST WISHES TO YOU AND THE PEOPLE OF THE REPUBLIC OF CAPE VERDE ON THE OCCASION OF YOUR INDEPENDENCE. IN THIS REGARD, I AM PLEASED TO INFORM YOU THAT THE UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT EXTENDS RECOGNITION TO CAPE VERDE.

I AM AWARE OF THE SERIOUS DROUGHT WHICH HAS AFFECTED THE ISLANDS FOR THE PAST EIGHT YEARS. I KNOW THAT THIS SITUATION MUST BE A MATTER OF GREAT CONCERN AS YOUR GOVERNMENT ASSUMES THE RESPONSIBILITIES FOR THE WELL-BEING OF YOUR PEOPLE. I AM HOPEFUL THAT THE STEPS ALREADY TAKEN BY THE UNITED STATES TO PROVIDE HUMANITARIAN AID AND TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE TO CAPE VERDE WILL HELP ALLEVIATE THE CURRENT HARDSHIP AND PROVIDE A BASE FOR ECONOMIC

DEVELOPMENT AND FUTURE PROSPERITY.

AS THE HISTORIC TIES OF FRIENDSHIP AND COOPERATION BETWEEN THE PEOPLES OF THE UNITED STATES AND CAPE VERDE GROW AND STRENGTHEN, I LOOK FORWARD TO THE OPPORTUNITY FOR OUR TWO NATIONS TO WORK TOGETHER IN THE CAUSE OF PEACE, FREEDOM AND THE WELFARE OF MANKIND.

SINCERELY, GERALD R. FORD.

HIS EXCELLENCY  
ARISTIDES PEREIRA  
PRESIDENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF CAPE VERDE,  
PRAIA, SANTIAGO ISLAND, CAPE VERDE. UNQUOTE.

2. FOR DAKAR: TEXT SHOULD BE DELIVERED TO GUINEA-BISSAU AMBASSADOR PROENCA OR CHARGE FURTADO. ORIGINAL SIGNED LETTER WILL FOLLOW FOR SIMILAR DELIVERY.

3. FOR LISBON: TEXT SHOULD BE DELIVERED TO APPROPRIATE RANKING OFFICIAL OF CAPE VERDE GOVERNMENT IN LISBON. REQUEST LISBON NOTIFY GOP OF US RECOGNITION.

4. WHITE HOUSE PLANS RELEASE TEXT TO PRESS AS SOON  
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AS YOU REPORT ITS DELIVERY. YOU SHOULD INFORM GOCV REPRESENTATIVES OF OUR INTENTIONS RE RELEASE, AND REPORT DETAILS OF DELIVERY BY IMMEDIATE CABLE.

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